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REMARKS

Claims 1-17 were pending in this case. In the view of the Examiner, these claims were directed to two patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. To expedite prosecution, claims 1-9 are hereby elected, with traverse. Accordingly, claims 10-17 have been cancelled so as to be available for prosecution via a continuation application which will be filed during pendency of the present application.

Early consideration and allowance of these claims are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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